Family Planning Programmes

1335. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the success achieved by different States in implementing family planning programmes;

(b) if so, what is the State-wise performance and the success achieved during the last three years; and

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken by the Central Government to make family planning programme a greater success?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) and (b) The work done under the National Family Welfare Programme is constantly appraised with reference to three broad indicators namely, Couple Protection Rate (CPR), Birth Rate (BR) and Infant Mortality Rate (IMR). The achievements in respect of the above three parameters by the States for the three years as per the latest available information are given in the Annexure.

[*See* Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 44].

(c) To keep the population growth in the country within the manageable limits, a well dened strategy has been evolved which lays emphasis on improving quality of health services, strengthening health infrastructure, enhancing child survival rates through Universal Immunisation Programme, intensifying population education, enhancing community participation, adopting improved communication approaches and involving voluntary organisation. Besides, schemes of reinforcement of training and retraining of personnel at the grass-root level, establishing and strengthening linkages with related development programmes like female literacy and improvement of women's status and adoption of area intensive approach are being implemented and will be further strengthened. In order to cater to the special requirements, a number of area projects for augmenting the infrastructure for health and family welfare service, delivery system and the training of medical and para-medical staff nave been taken up in selected States.

Availability of Paraxylene

1336. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 161 given in the Rajya Sabha on the May 14, 1990 and state:

(a) whether a decision has since been taken for fixing of level of customs duty on Paraxylene keeping in view the significant fall in its price in overseas market;

(b) what is the basis for such revision in the import duty;

(c) whether Government have shifted Paraxylene to OGL: if not what are the reasons therefor: *and*

(d) what would be the surplus Paraxylene available from IPCL for the current financial year and during 1991-92 for market sale after meeting its own in-house requirements?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (c) Import duty changes are related to both the international price as well as fair selling price of indigenous material. BICP report on the fair selling price of indigenous paraxylene is awaited. Recently, Government have announced that certain petrochemical items including paraxylene can be